

**Review of Extraordinary Circumstances  
Green Creek Burn Area Habitat Rehabilitation  
DOI-BLM-CA-C070-2016-0004-CX**

The following review of "extraordinary circumstances" is required by 43 CFR 46.215 to determine if an otherwise categorically excluded action requires additional environmental analysis and/or documentation.

1) *Have significant impacts on public health or safety.*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments:

2) *Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas.*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments: Implementation of the proposed project would not result in any adverse impacts on any such lands or resources. The proposed project is intended to benefit natural resources that were damaged by the fire, specifically the project is intended to maintain or improve habitat for sagebrush obligate wildlife such as the greater sage-grouse.

Cultural resources have been identified within the burn area. Proposed treatments will avoid these areas and therefore will not result in impact to them.

3) *Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA Section 102(2)(E)].*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments: The proposed project only includes activities that are common practice for post-fire rehabilitation would not result in any highly controversial environmental effects or involve any unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources

4) *Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments: Implementation of the proposed project would not result in any highly uncertain or potentially significant environmental effects nor involve any unique or unknown environmental risks.

- 5) *Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects.*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments:

- 6) *Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects.*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments:

- 7) *Have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by either the bureau or office.*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments: Implementation of the proposed project would have no effect on any properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places.

- 8) *Have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat.*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments: There are no proposed, threatened or endangered species or their critical habitat in or near the project area.

- 9) *Violate a Federal law, or a State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment.*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments:

- 10) *Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898).*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments:

- 11) *Limit access to any ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive Order 13007).*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments:

12) *Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112).*

( ) Yes (X) No

Comments: Implementation of the proposed project would not contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of any noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area nor would it promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of any such species. Activities of the proposed project are specifically intended to prevent, limit and decrease the potential for establishment and spread of noxious weeds and non-native invasive species.

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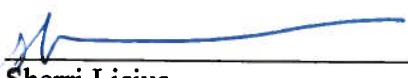
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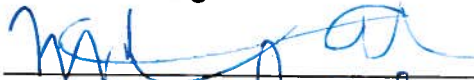
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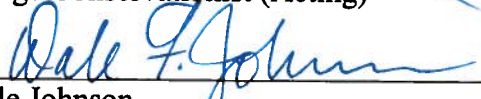
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